CHURCH NOTES - April 11, 2021

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, North Carolina

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OUTDOOR WORSHIP Join us this evening at 5pm on the front lawn. Please bring a blanket or lawn chairs. Masks and social distancing will be required. Rain cancels the service.

SUNDAY MORNING SANCTUARY WORSHIP With joy, we will welcome up to 60 worshippers each week in the sanctuary. Attendees are to be seated by 10:20am as the service will be livestreamed. Those physically unable to attend 5pm outdoor worship and those without easy access to technology will be given priority. Vaccines are strongly recommended. Masks and social distancing required. Complete a registration form through the link for a specific Sunday: April 18, April 25, May 2.

PARTICIPATE IN LOVING AND SERVING OUR NEIGHBORS Please bring items to the church.

- **Homelessness** Help celebrate and equip our Charlotte neighbors transitioning from homelessness into a home. Please select and purchase <u>an item from this link</u> for the Welcome Home Kits.
- **Hunger** We plan to deliver a week of groceries to as many Montclaire Elementary School families as we can. We invite you to purchase one of each of the ten items listed and drop them by the church (bag rice, bag beans, canned meat, peanut butter, saltine crackers, canned veggies, canned fruit, soup, breakfast items, and individually wrapped snacks). No glass items please.
- Children in Need We continue our partnership with Greater Enrichment Program (GEP) at Montclaire Elementary to provide afterschool and summer enrichment programming at no cost to parents. You are invited to make a Special Offering to support hosting GEP at Montclaire for the 2021-2022 school year. You can give by check, text to 704-734-9818, or online. Please indicate this is a Special Offering for Mission.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN HONORARY LIFE On April 18, during the 10:30am worship service the Honorary Life Membership will be presented to a deserving member. To attend please complete registration through this link <u>April 18</u>.

CONGREGATIONAL CONNECTION AND SPRING EVENT We invite you to engage with our community and dig deeper into our relationships with one another in meaningful and authentic ways.

- Join us on April 18 for our Spring Event. Please bring your own lunch to eat from 11:30-12 on the lawn. Service projects will be from 12-2pm. We will be spring cleaning down at Little Sugar Creek Greenway. We will walk down as a group from the church. If you have young children or prefer to partake in another way we will have a project at the church as well. Click here to sign up.
- Join us online for worship services. You can share prayer concerns or celebrations with your church family in the chat feature.
- Link here to request to join our Selwyn Spirit Facebook group, a collective place to share daily life events.

SAVE THE DATE - VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT SELWYN Registration information will be available soon.

- Preschool ages 3-4 years, June 21 24, from 9am-12pm at Selwyn, cost is \$75 per child.
- Elementary aged children, June 28 July 2, 9am 3pm at Selwyn, cost is \$175 per child.

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH AND PARENTS <u>Contact Margo</u> with questions. Masks and social distancing required for all outside events. Rain cancels. Please <u>RSVP to Margo</u> for any summer trips as soon as possible.

- 2nd Sunday Service is postponed to April 18. We will participate in the Congregational Life Little Sugar Creek cleanup from 12-2pm.
- Appalachia Service Project (ASP) Meeting, April 15, 6-7pm via Zoom for the June 13-19 trip. Total cost: \$500 (transportation, food, housing), deposit: \$200, rising 9th graders- graduated 12th grade, ten adult chaperones needed.
- Montreat Youth Conference Meeting, April 13, 6-7 via Zoom for the July 11-17 trip. Total cost: \$450 (includes transportation, food, housing), deposit: \$150, rising 9th graders- graduated 12th grade, three adult chaperones needed.
- Middle School Cross Missions (local Charlotte), July 25-30, total cost: \$325 (includes food, housing, transportation), deposit: \$100, rising 6th rising 8th grade, four adult chaperones needed.

ADULT ONLINE BIBLE STUDIES AND CLASSES Links to participate can be found at www.selwynpres.org.

- Pastor's Bible Study will resume at 10am on Wednesday, April 14.
- Daughters of Faith weekly meetings on Wednesdays at 11am.
- Selwyn Life Sunday School, 9:15am. Contact John Lemmon.
- Covenant Sunday School, every Sunday at 9:30am.
- Grace Class, 9:30am, second and fourth Sundays. Contact Erin Mills.
- Men's Group, Fridays, 7am.
- Presbyterian Women Circles meet September through May. Contact Moderator, <u>Peggy Hormberg</u> for information.

CONTACT INFORMATION AND DATABASE We are updating our database to successfully maintain our virtual connections. Our hope is everyone appreciates and embraces this effort to communicate effectively. If you have a question or your contact information changes (including your preferred email, phone, or address), please contact Marsha Cooper.
*Important Note- Unsubscribing in the database or from any congregational email unsubscribes you from receiving all SAPC emails. Please contact the Church Office before taking this step.

REKINDLING THE GIFT OF GOD Please prayerfully consider your 2021 estimate of giving at any level. So far 116 households have pledged. Our goal is 130. Thank you for your participation. It is vitally important. Pledges can be submitted through the <u>website</u>, emailed to <u>Tonya Moore</u>, or mailed to the church.

TEXT TO GIVE Thank you to all who have embraced the online giving platform. Instructions for using:

- Text 704-734-9818. Enter an amount. The first time you will be prompted to SHELBY to confirm set up.
- From then, it is as easy as texting the amount to the number. You DO NOT need a key word if you are giving to the 2021 annual fund. Key word COVID is a special offering for Montclaire Elementary and Roof Above needs.

RETHINKING CHURCH AND COVID UPDATE

- We continue to livestream Sunday Morning Worship on Facebook Live at 10:30am. A link for joining is sent at 10:15am each Sunday via email to members and is available on our website.
- Please look for updates at <u>www.selwynpres.org</u> and via email.
- Podcasts Listen to sermons, community discussions and more. <u>Click to hear on Spotify</u> and <u>on Apple Podcast</u>.
- The best way to contact staff is via email. To reach out by phone call the church, 704-372-6836. Follow the prompts for leaving a message on the appropriate staff person's extension.
- For pastoral care emergencies, please leave a message on Reverend Raible's extension.

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN		
Sunday, April 11 9:15 Selwyn Life Class 9:30 Covenant Class 9:30 Grace Class	Tuesday, April 13 6:00 Youth Montreat Meeting (Zoom) 7:00 Mission Group Meeting 7:30 Peace Circle	Friday, April 16 7:00 Men's Group Sunday, April 18
10:30 Virtual Worship 5:00 Outdoor Worship (Lawn) Monday, April 12	Wednesday, April 14 10:00 Pastor's Bible Study 11:00 Daughters of Faith Circle	9:15 Selwyn Life Class 9:20 Confirmation Class 9:30 Covenant Class 10:30 Virtual Worship
12:30 Women of Wonder 7:00 BSA Troop	7:00 Incoming Elder Training Thursday, April 15	11:30 Congregational Life Spring Event 4;00 7 th & 8 th Grade Boys (Lawn)
Church Notes deadline is Monday by 9am Spire deadline is Monday, April 26, 9am	6:00 Youth ASP Meeting (Zoom) 6:15 Handbell Ensemble	5:00 Outdoor Worship